



A short summary of some LLSC activity and other Scottish paragliding chat.

Leith Chuck & Repack - After a 9 year gap, the reserve deployment zipline returned, courtesy of SHPF and LLSC.

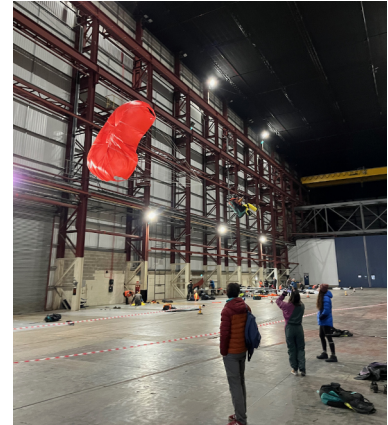
Located in the FirstStage film studio, the zipline was installed and operated by staff from EICC (Edinburgh International Climbing Centre). The response was incredibly positive and it proved to be a great help for the whole reserve deployment process.

57 pilots attended in total, with 9 re-packing advisers giving support and guidance after reserves were thrown.

A total of 67 zipline deployments were made (including test runs on the Friday) with 2 failed openings. One failure was due to the reserve getting tangled with loose speed bar lines. Both were able to repack and try again, successfully.

63% of the participants were LLSC members and 97% of all attendees said they'd attend a future zipline and repack.

So, it's very likely it will be back!



SHPF photo comp - There are 20 entries for the annual SHPF photo competition, showcasing some of the best of Scottish flying. Check them out here <https://shpf.co.uk/news/shpf-photo-competition-2025/> and you can add your vote for the winner - but be quick, voting closes on 2 February.

Get Well Ian - Ian Kennedy is well known within the Scottish paragliding scene and is a stalwart of the LLSC Committee, being both treasurer and membership secretary. Unfortunately he suffered a serious injury whilst flying at Tinto in early January. Once he's into his recuperation process we look forward to catching up and seeing him back on the hill. He's being brought home today (Friday) so, best wishes for speedy recovery from everyone in LLSC.

Typical of his laconic humour, he said the only good thing about the helicopter evacuation was missing the potholes.



BHPA stuff

British Accuracy Cup - a call has gone out to Clubs, looking for organisers of regional accuracy competitions as part of the British Accuracy Cup. Anyone interested in this side of the sport, contact a committee member.

BHPA membership fees - The annual membership fee of BHPA is necessary for club membership, as well as providing 3rd party insurance, access to the XC League and a Skywings sub. For info, from 1 April there will be a 2 year sub with a saving of £69 over two single year subs.

AGM Notice

LLSC AGM 27 February, Burgh Halls, Linlithgow - Put the date in your diary. As well as the usual club AGM stuff there will be an open forum and a talk from **Joe Dart**, who set a new standard in Scottish flying last year. In the space of two days he broke the UK Triangle record from Mount Blair (139km) and followed that with an incredible flight from Quinag to Glencoe (196km) in the company for most of the way with some of the best Scottish pilots.

Probably the most spectacular, and biggest boonie flight, ever in the UK.

It should be a great evening, with food available for a small fee. Watch out for more details soon, but here's the official AGM notice.

LLSC AGM 6:30pm 27 February 2026 Burgh Halls, Linlithgow

Agenda

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the AGM of 18 February 2025
3. Business arising from the minutes
4. 2025 Reports
5. Election of Office-bearers and Members of Committee
6. Proposed revision of LLSC constitution
7. Any other competent business
8. Prize Giving

NB 2025 LLSC Committee, all standing for re-election

- Chairman - Mike Jardine
- Secretary/SHPF - Mark Mortimer
- Treasurer & Membership - Ian Kennedy
- Forestry - Alistair Bowman
- Coaching - Fred Robinson
- Safety - Chris Sangwin
- Sites & airspace - Kevin McGrath
- Hang-gliding - Mike Armstrong
- Website & Communication - Mark Bradley
- Club BBQ & Trophies - Neil Craig
- Club Nights - Jessica Tang
- General Committee - Alan Easdale, David Thomson

